Division of Consumer Affairs

News Release

Nashville Dry Cleaner Bankrupt, Former Owners To Step In

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Shoemo Inc., owner and operator of U.S. \$1.75 Cleaners at 3965 Nolensville Road, has filed a voluntary bankruptcy petition and closed its doors leaving almost four thousand garments behind. The Tennessee Division of Consumer Affairs announced today that the previous owners, W. H. Cleaners, Inc., have stepped forward to help get garments returned to consumers at no additional charge and reopen the store.

The store will open to begin distribution of garments on Tuesday, October 7 between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. to consumers that still have their clothing tickets. Consumers that do not have clothing tickets must bring their photo identification to expidite distribtion of unprocessed cleaning. Normal store operations will resume on Wednesday.

"We are pleased with the fact that the original owners have stepped in to help remedy the situation," said Mark Williams, director of the Division of Consumer Affairs. "This is the best alternative for consumers. My wish is that consumers remain patient throughout the process. It will take some time to assist the hundreds of consumers involved."

For more information consumers can call the Tennessee Division of Consumer Affairs at 615.741.4737.

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